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Sir:

In compliance with the dictates of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98, Applicant hereby submits an Information Disclosure Statement.

One of the attached documents (J.J. Thiele) is mentioned in the present specification and a brief description of it's relevance can be found therein.

Applicant hereby reports the issuance of a Search Report in the corresponding Japanese application. A copy of that Search Report and the references cited therein, together with PTO Form 1449 listing each of the references is attached hereto.

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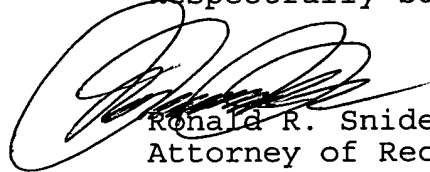
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Please note that the International Search Report cites reference to document JP 2002-107688A. This is an error and the correct reference is JP 2002-17688A. This document is filed herein.

It is respectfully requested that the Examiner consider each of these references and indicate such consideration by enclosing an appropriately initialled copy of the enclosed form PTO-1449 with the next communication from the Patent Office.

Respectfully submitted,



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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS				
Examiner Initials*	Foreign Patent Document Number	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Date of Publication of Cited Document MM-DD-YYYY	T**
	JP 2004-340935 w/ English Abstract	Shiseido Co Ltd	12-02-2004	
	JP 2002-17688 w/English Abstract	Pola Chem Ind Inc	01-22-2002	
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	IWAI, et al., "Sanka Stress ga Hifu Kakuso Kino ni Oyobosu Eikyo," <u>The Japan Society for Analytical Chemistry Dai 53 Nenkai Koen Yoshishu</u> , August 18, 2004, page 307, Vol. 53,	
	THIELE, JJ, et al., "Macromolecular carbonyls in human stratum corneum: a biomarker for environmental oxidant exposure?," <u>FEBS LETTERS</u> , February 6, 1998, pp. 403-406.	

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